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EXCISE COMMISSION.

Measure Provides for Board of Three in Each County to Grant Licenses.

THEY MUST BE COUNTY OFFICERS

Invested With Same Power Now Exercised by License Court—Appeals Can Be Made to Superior Court—House Adjourns Until Monday.

Harrisburg, Pa. Feb. 21.—The Wilmerding local option bill, which was sent back to committee Thursday, was again reported favorably and without amendment in the house yesterday.

Mr. McConnell of Lawrence county, introduced a bill for the creation of an excise commission in each county for the purpose of granting liquor licenses and passing upon the transfers of such licenses after being granted. The bill provides that on the first Monday of January, 1904, an excise commission shall be constituted in each county to be composed of three members who shall be county officers, elected to the office and commissioned by the governor, who shall have the sole control of granting all licenses for the sale of liquor. Each shall give bond in the sum of $1,000, be over 21 years of age, a citizen of the county, and the owner of real estate, and no person can be elected or appointed who holds an office of trust or profit under the state or national government. The hearing in the applications for license must be public and held in the county court house, the clerk of the courts being the clerk of the commission. This commission shall have all the powers now exercised by the courts in the drafting and transferring of licenses for the sale of liquor, but the courts alone shall have the power to revoke a license. The compensation of the members of the commission shall be $4 per annum for each thousand, and a part of a thousand of the population of the county as shown by the census, and 10 cents mileage in the matter of the application for licenses the same practice as at present will prevail. An appeal may be taken to the superior or supreme court against any order or decree of the commission, the writ first being taken to the commission

Mr. Hunt of Northampton, presented a bill appropriating $2,000 to the Eastern Home for the Friendless.

The bill making a tog of 2,240 pounds the basis from which to calculate the earnings of miners or persons working in coal mines was read for the first time and then recommitted to the committee on mines and mining, on motion of Mr. Hayes.

After clearing the calendar of bills on first reading the house adjourned until Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Collieries Resume.

Reading, Pa., Feb. 21.—With one or two exceptions all the Reading company's collieries resumed operations yesterday, the branch roads having been cleared of snow. The snow and cold weather greatly interfered with the shipments of coal and it will take several days before the trade assumes its normal condition. Not more than 700 cars were brought down on Thursday night's run. The average is 1,600. The falling off was due to the inability to get the cars to the breaker because of the snow which drifted badly during Wednesday. It was stated that unless there should be more snow the shipments from now on will show a steady increase until the breakers have all been cleared of the coal that has been accumulating the past few days. It is probable that the trade today and Sunday will be very heavy but the output for the week will not be more than about half what it was last week.

Asks Respite for Brother.

Harrisburg, Feb. 21.—Application was made to Governor Pennypacker, yesterday by Mrs. Andrew Carr of Phillipsburg, N. J., for a respite for her brother, Charles Grether, who is sentenced to be hanged next Tuesday at Stroudsburg, in order that application may be made for a commutation of sentence to the board of pardons at the next meeting. The governor took the matter under advisement.

Looks Like Extra Session.

New York, Feb. 21 — Senator Thomas C Platt, who came from Washington yesterday to attend to express business, said last night that from appearances it would be reasonable to predict an extra session of congress. "But," said the senator, "you can't tell how it will look on Monday."

Will Hang.

Philadelphia, Feb. 21.—Joseph M. Bennett, a negro, aged 17 years, was yesterday sentenced to death for the murder of Albert Bredell, another negro. The crime was the result of a poolroom fight, and was committed in February of last year. Bennett pleaded self-defense.

AFTER INSURANCE SWINDLERS.

Testimony in Police Court Reveals Ways of Defrauding Companies.

New York, Feb. 21.—Testimony of a startling nature was given by witnesses in the examination of one of the six men under arrest charged with swindling life insurance companies by substituting bodies, which came up in the police court yesterday. Joseph Trepani, the undertaker in the case, was held by Magistrate Zeller in $5,000 bail to await the action of the grand jury.

Francis B. Foster, formerly an agent for the Union Central Life Insurance company, testified that he had agreed, at Trepani's suggestion, to swear to the death of men insured in the company while he knew, he said, that the body of some one else had been substituted. Foster said he received sums of money ranging from $100 to $200 from Trepani when the policies were paid in these cases. He was first approached by the prisoner Cirpaino and with Dr. Oliver Moore, of the company, examined one Tromborula to whom a policy was issued on their report. Tromborula soon after that was reported dead and the body substituted being exhumed, the alleged frauds were revealed.

Dr. Moore testified that he was sent to St. Michael's cemetery by the insurance company to identify the body exhumed which was said to be that of Tromborula.

"When I examined the body in the coffin," said the physician, "I found it to be that of a much older man than I had examined as Tromborula on the day of the issuance of the policy. The examination of the body revealed the fact that there were mittens on the hands. When they were taken off I saw that the glove had been stuffed with cotton and that right forearm was missing. The right foot was also missing, the shoe having been stuffed with a block of wood shaped like a foot. The lips had been sewed together so as to conceal the absence of the teeth. The mouth was stuffed with cotton causing the cheeks to puff out and give the body the appearance of being that of a much younger man."

Constable Uses Gun.

Chicago, Feb. 21.—During a dispute over the seizure of some furniture yesterday in the storage and auction store of Phalen & Bennett, Constable A. H Patek shot Albert Hicks, one of the employes, and H. S. Griswold, a customer. Hicks is expected to die Griswold will recover. The shooting was the result of an argument between Phalen and Patek the constable having gone to the warehouse to make a seizure under a supposed writ of replevin. Turning to Griswold, who was standing near Patek asked him a question respecting the right claimed by the constable. The answer angered Patek and he knocked Griswold down. Hearing the noise, Hicks ran to the front of the store to interfere and the shooting followed. Patek tried to escape but was arrested a few minutes later.

May Compromise.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 21.—It appears now that the Santa Fe will be able to make a compromise with the conductors and trainmen, who seek an increase in wages. The men demand an average of 20 per cent. It is understood that the company is willing to give 12 per cent and the probability is that a compromise will be effected and the men will be given an increase of 15 per cent. There is the best of feeling between the contending factions and negotiations so far have been entirely pleasant.

Invited to Sing at White House.

New York, Feb. 21.—On Tuesday next the German Liederkranz and the Arion society will sing at the white house at the invitation of the president. Fifty of the singers of each society, forming a united chorus, will go to Washington accompanied by the officers of the societies and their wives. The program includes several songs by the combined chorus and by the societies individually. The soloists will be Mme. Schuman Heink and Mr. Richard Burmeister.

Well Organized.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 21.—The 500 women and girls employed at Galland Brothers underwear factory in this city have formed a branch of the International Garment Workers' union. There are now 3,000 women and girls members of labor unions in and about this city. They conduct their own business and send delegates to the Federated Labor convention. There is also a movement on foot to organize the 1,000 or 1,500 servant girls in this city.

Refuses to Interfere.

Stroudsburg, Pa., Feb. 21.—Governor Pennypacker yesterday refused to interfere in the case of Charles Grether, who is to be hanged on Tuesday next for the murder of Adam Strunk. Archdeacon Radcliffe made a personal appeal to the governor to save Grether.

Rough Rider Gets Appointment.

Denver, Col., Feb. 21.—Sherman M. Bell, a member of Roosevelt's rough riders during the Spanish-American war, was today appointed adjutant-general of the Colorado national guard by Governor Peabody.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS GIVE MID-WINTER ENTERTAINMENT

In Carnegie Library Hall Last Evening Before a Crowded and Highly Pleased Audience.

The Senior Class of the High School gave their annual midwinter class night entertainment last evening. They had several very distinct advantages over other classes, and they made the best use of them. First, the class numbers 22 members, and it is no idle flattery to say that they are as interesting for their personal charms as for their numbers. Second, the entertainment was held in Carnegie Library Hall, which is a great improvement over the High School Hall, because of its size and beauty. Third, every year adds to the experience of the class members' instructor, Miss Ella Skiff, who always trains the Seniors for Class Night and Commencement, and according to this philosophy the last class night ought always to be the most successful.

In the class of 1903 there are 22 members, the largest number ever graduated from the local schools, though this same number was equaled last year. When the girls and boys filed from the dressing room, and took their places on the stage, they made a complete are of boyhood and girlhood that immediately took all the interest out of the dear little Cupids and the festoons of roses painted overhead. The hall was filled with relatives and well-wishers of the classmates, when Miss Maud Jennings played on the piano the opening number, "The Invitation to the Dance." This young lady has been performing frequently at local gatherings during the past year, and people have grown to know that she plays well. Her touch, though it lacks fire, is always pure and rhythmical. On the program were marked two numbers to be played by Mr Sam Hood, cornet solos by Bach and Mathyedl. Mr Hood was unable to be present on account of sickness, and at the last minute Miss Nell Edwards, herself a pupil in the High School was persuaded to fill the vacancy. She sang twice, both times in place of the cornet, her own number on the program being omitted. It is not in any measure to underestimate the expected pleasure of the cornet when it is said that the silver throat would have had to be very sweet indeed to have caused as much genuine delight as that young human voice. It is not a powerful voice, that, but it has timbre, and its owner, and her instructor Robert McDowell, know how to keep the straining tests of the older singer out of the repertoire, which knowledge is half its success and half its art. In "Madrienne," she had a chance to display some difficult phrasing, enough to give promise of better things. The last musical number of the evening was a piano solo by Miss Tumpson, "Chi-ci-pipi-nini," a piquant movement by Hoffman. Miss Tumpson is a revelation to many local musicians, for it must be said that Connellsville people have always been indifferent to the pianiste. Those who have heard her need not receive a second invitation to make an effort to hear her again, and those who missed her all too short performance last night should not let it occur again soon.

The literary part of the program included selections from Longfellow's "Tales from a Wayside Inn," selections from the random fields of literature, including two humorous skits, "The Girls of Long Ago," recited by Earl Bower, and "Brother Gardener on Cake Walks," recited by Hall Spear. Both the latter two were much appreciated by the audience. A feature of the program was the recital of an unpublished poem from the pen of our own rhymer, Aloysius Coll, by Helen Armstrong, one of the bright leaders of the class, who so feelingly interpreted "The Razing of the Old Log House," that the author must have been quite pleased with her, if he were present. In a class of 22 members it is impossible to mention all that should be, but for all it can be said that they were the cause of much pride on the part of their relatives and friends last night. The detailed program was composed as follows: "The Sinning Leaves," Delilah Munk; "The Measure of Happiness," Myrtle Durst "The Birds of Killingsworth" Mattie Crossland, Bessie Artis, Aara Work and Clara Frew; "An Apothegm," Lillian Bradley; "Love of Country," Earl Sherrick; "Elizabeth," Elizabeth Guiler, Cora Byatt, Mary Buttermore and Nannie Patterson; "The Falcon of Ser Federigo," Margaret Harrigan, Jennie Herpick, Emma Jo Lytle and Frances Freed; "Naughty Brier Rose," Eleanor Kilpatrick Carl McCormick, a member of the class who has just recovered from a severe attack of typhoid fever, was with the class for the first time in many weeks but was not on the program. Miss Mary Armstrong was taken sick before her number, to the regret of many, and was unable to recite "The Duke's Test."

ANOTHER MILL TO START.

Steel & Iron Aluminum Coating Plant Fires Up Next Week.

The South Connellsville plant of the Steel & Iron Aluminum Coating Company will resume operations next week after being shut down for some months on account of the non-delivery of new machinery. A new coating machine, ordered months ago, was to have been delivered September 1, 1902. It did not arrive until last week, when it was immediately placed in position, and will be started some time next week.

At the beginning the plant will employ almost 50 men, which number will be increased with a proposed increase in the mill's capacity. This will be quite an addition to the pay rolls of Connellsville industries, and will add to the business boom that will follow the building of Sligo mills and the recent resumption of the Humbert mill.

ANOTHER BIG PLANT.

Clairton Steel Co. to Build 1,000 Coke Ovens in This County.

The Clairton Steel Company is preparing to develop 2,500 acres of coking coal in Fayette county, near Brownsville, which will give this company and the parent company, the Crucible Steel Company of America, all the coke they require. One thousand coke ovens will be erected. Surveys are now being made and estimates received for the brick required.

The investment in coal and plant will aggregate about $2,500,000. For this development a new underlying company of the Clairton company is being formed. A charter for this under the name of the Clairton Ore & Coal Company, is to be applied for at Harrisburg, March 11. The company expect to have their ovens in operation by the first of January, 1904, according to present plans.

WHEN KNIGHTHOOD WAS IN FLOWER

Do you wish to read one of the sweetest love stories that was ever written? Then take up The Courier today and make a start on the first installment of "When Knighthood Was in Flower," from the gifted pen of Charles Major. This is one of the historical novels that made such a hit as a book, and later ran for a whole winter as a play in New York, with Julia Marlowe as the star.

The story is woven around the romantic times of Henry VII, when his fiery but lovable sister, Mary Tudor, rebelled against marrying the decrepit old King of France. The young princess' heart was given to Charles Brandon, a Captain in King Henry's army, yet, despite her constant refusal to marry the old King across the seas, the English Court continues to prepare for the royal wedding. But the headstrong Mary elopes with Brandon in the dark of the night, disguised as a man, and is half way across the English channel when overtaken by galleys sent out by the Princess' brother to apprehend the elopers.

Now what would you do if you were Mary Tudor and in a fix like that? What do you think Mary Tudor did? Well, buy The Daily Courier every day, and you can find out how Mary Tudor was a little more clever than you would be, if you were in Mary Tudor's dilemma and unable to follow the dictates of your own heart.

NEW MILITIA BILL.

Dr. McCormick Don't Think It Will Affect Surgeons.

Members of the National Guard of Pennsylvania are much interested in a number of provisions of the new Militia Bill, just passed by Congress. One important detail of the reorganization, is that the medical department will be independent, and that medical officers cannot be on the staff of the regimental Colonels This will not necessitate the change, however, that might be supposed.

Talking to a Courier reporter today, Dr. L. P. McCormick, Captain and Surgeon of the Tenth Regiment, N. G. P., said: "Since 1901 the Medical Department has been kept separate from the regimental organization. Until that time on the official roster the names of the medical officers of a regiment were entered just below those of the Majors, in the Colonel's staff. In 1901, however, a special roster was devoted to the medical department. The officers are assigned to duty in various regiments, although they are under direct command of the Surgeon Major. For instance, my name appears on the Medical Department roster as assigned to the Tenth Infantry. This is just the same as the Regular Army regulations.

"I don't think the new bill will cause any particular change in the Medical Department, and the regimental hospital corps will probably be assigned to duty in the same way. Under the present arrangement, each company is allowed one member of the hospital corps. This man is reported on 'detached duty' when the regiment is in service. He stays at the hospital tent, but gets his subsistence with his own company, from which he also draws his pay. If, however, the new bill is enforced in detail, it is probable that the hospital corps may be mobilized and kept separate from the regiments, as is done in the Regular Army."

Members of Company D will be glad to see the introduction of the Krag-Jorgensen rifle to replace the antiquated Springfields. They think they do better work on the rifle range with the new rifle, which has longer range and is lighter than the Springfield.

COURT NOTES.

Melee Among Slavs Causes a Suit Before 'Squire Miller.

George C. Downs, Samuel H. Downs, Mary Leighty, Ida B. Knox, Matilda Woodward Martha E. Robinson and Roxaline Walhrs have begun an ejectment proceeding against Ayers Lynn and Mary Jane Lynn to recover 19 acres and 40 perches of land in Franklin township, near Unity school house. A full description of the property with boundary lines, etc., is given with the other papers filed in the case. The plaintiffs claim that they are entitled to the possession as well as the title.

Mike Sossik, a foreigner living at Edenborn, in German township, went before 'Squire Miller Friday morning and made an information against Andrew Berkovitch, Charles Berkovitch, Andrew Delebig, Mike Bocos and Andrew Dulesky of the same place on charges of felonious assault and battery, etc. Sossik alleges in his statement left with the Justice, that the defendants came to the house of Mike Turkovitch at 12.30 Thursday night, broke the doors and windows out of the house and beat the prosecutor badly and cut his hand with a knife.

Constable Charles M. Fee arrested John H. Commisky of South Union township Friday on a charge of assault and battery and impersonating an officer, preferred before 'Squire Wm. H. Miller by Steve Feronz. Commisky made trouble at a Slavish dance.

Waynesburg License Fight.

The anti-license people of Waynesburg are holding public meetings and have committees at work against the granting of a hotel license. Meantime, Landlord Huston, the new proprietor of the Downey House, is circulating his petition, and the Messenger says it is being liberally signed. The matter will be heard at the April term.

Don't Want a Coney Island.

The Homestead Daily News protests against the plans of the new amusement company controlling Kennywood Park, near that place. It seems that the new lessees propose to eliminate the previous exclusiveness of the park and make it a Coney Island resort, all but the salt water and the billows.

For McKinley Memorial Fund.

Postmaster Clark Collins has received from the McKinley National Memorial Association a limited supply of the certificates which have been prepared for distribution to contributors to the monument fund as souvenirs of their participation in that great enterprise.

Bought Interest in Paper.

J. F. Harclerode of Bedford, who has been editing and managing the Gazette at that place for the past ten years or more, has purchased a half interest in the paper.

Y. M. C. A. Meeting.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting at 3.30 tomorrow afternoon will be an "open" meeting and a cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend.

HAD A CLOSE CALL.

Prisoners in the New Haven Lockup Narrowly Escape Being Cremated.

CELL ROOM WAS IN FLAMES.

And Prisoners Almost Suffocated When Rescued by Constable Tarr. New Haven Citizens Protest Against Fire Trap and Favor Consolidation.

A fire in New Haven lockup last night nearly caused the death of two prisoners, Ed. Flannery of Connellsville and Mike Lelly of Leisenring who were confined in separate cells. They were rescued in a half suffocated condition, and nearly frightened to death.

Flannery was incarcerated for drunkenness and Lelly was awaiting a hearing on a charge of disorderly conduct. At 8 o'clock the fire caught from a gas stove in the Burgess' office. The cell room, adjoining the office, soon filled with smoke, and the frightened prisoners shouted lustily for help.

Some boys happened along and heard the shouts. Constable Alex. Tarr, who was nearby, rushed in and liberated the prisoners. Lelly was in a fainting condition from the dense smoke and heat. The flames were extinguished without much difficulty, and the damage is slight.

This is the third time within a year that the lockup has been on fire. New Haven citizens are protesting against the unwise policy of maintaining such a fire trap. They say it may cost the borough more in damages than a new building would cost Many of them think consolidation would be a solution of the problem, as Connellsville has a City Hall large enough to accommodate both boroughs.

COLONIAL TEA.

Entertainment of Trinity Church Ladies on Monday Evening.

The birthday of George Washington will be celebrated in Connellsville by an attractive entertainment under the auspices of the ladies of Trinity Parish, with the Rector, Rev. Dr. T. S. Cartwright, in he lead. The celebration will take the form of a Colonial Tea and a high class literary and musical performance, to be held in the Armory, Odd Fellows' Hall, Main street, Connellsville, on Monday evening, from 6 o'clock. There will be appropriate decorations in the hall and at the tables, whilst the ladies in charge and attendance will appear in semi-Colonial costumes. At the entrance of the hall will be two tables supplied abundantly with cake and bread and butter and sandwiches, respectively, whilst at the upper end of the hall there will be six tables arranged in semi-circular form from which tea, etc., will be served. In the body of the hall will be placed a number of circular tables.

Among the ladies serving at these different tables will be Mesdames Cartwright, Bryner, Jones, Rush, Heckel, Hewes, Johnston, Campbell, Getchell, Johnson, Minnis, Thorndell, Woods, Ward, Rowe, McFarland, and Misses Chaplin, Wharton, Torrence, Gutelius, Tumpson, Mentzer, Getchell, Minnis, Bryner and others. At 8 o'clock the literary and musical part of the exercises will begin. The following have parts in numbers in this program: Rev. T. S. Cartwright, Miss Anna Tumpson, South Connellsville Glee Club, Miss Ruth Phillips, Mrs. J. D. O'Connor, Rev. W. A. Edie, Messrs. Mason, Rogers, Griffin and McKee, Miss Maud Gilfillan, Mrs. J. L. Morewood-Jones, Rev. E. H. Ward, D. D., Miss Isabel Newmyer, Col. J. J. Barnhart

Mrs. Waller's Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Blanche K. Waller, wife of Dr. E. F. Waller, resident physician at the Markleton Sanitarium, who died Friday morning, aged 32 years, will be held at 1201 Boyle street, Allegheny, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private in the South Side Cemetery.

Mrs. Sarah Huston.

Mrs Sarah Huston, widow of the late Daniel Huston and mother of Henry C. Huston, who died in Pittsburg Thursday morning, died at the home of her son, Frank Huston, in Uniontown, at 11 o'clock this morning. She was 81 years old.

Withdrew the Charge.

Harry Reager, the Vanderbilt man who made an information against William Glotfelty of this pace for short changing him some time ago, has settled the case out of court by paying all costs.

Philippine Veteran Meeting.

A meeting of the Society of the Army of the Philippines will be held on the evening of February 25, in the office of H. A. Crow, Room 405, First National Bank Building.

New School for Rockwood.

Rockwood will have a new school house.

FAVOR SHIP SUBSIDY.

Marritime Association of New York Urges Passage of Measure.

TO FOSTER AMERICAN SHIPPING

Appeal to Congress for Legislation Favoring the Building Up of American Shipping in the Foreign Trade Without Diminishing Rate of Wages.

New York, Feb. 21.—President C. B. Parsons, of the Maritime Association of New York, has sent to Chairman Grosvenor, of the committee on merchant marine and fisheries, a letter urging the passage of the ship subsidy bill. The letter says in part:

"The maritime association of the port of New York, the largest organization of its kind in the United States, if not the largest in the world, with a membership of over 1,000, has repeatedly placed itself on record by formal resolutions as favoring such legislation. In our judgment the bill pending before your committee should be passed at the present session of congress with certain amendments which we have suggested to your committee.

"American labor in the ship yards and American labor afloat refuses to accept employment at the rate of wages that they obtain abroad. And this makes it impossible for owners of American vessels to profitably compete with the more cheaply built and more cheaply operated foreign ships in our foreign carrying trade American capital therefore, as we have seen during the past year, to the extent of more than a hundred million dollars, has been invested in foreign-built ships, officered and manned by foreigners. Thus we see that while under existing conditions profitable employment is denied to American labor in our shipyards and on board our ships, profitable employment of American capital in ship owning has been extended in a manner unprecedented in our national history.

"It remains for congress by the action it takes or fails to take on the pending bill to say whether it favors the building up of American shipping in the foreign trade, without diminishing the rates of wages paid in our shipyards and on board of our ships; to say whether American capital, seeking investment in shipping, shall be forced, because of the conditions of the competition, to purchase alien-built vessels and employ aliens to run them, or whether American labor, in our shipyards and on board of our ships, shall be forced to work for the same rate of wages that is paid abroad.

"There can be no doubt that the American people desire a great merchant marine of their own; that although unprotected competition with cheaper built cheaper operated, subsidized and bountied foreign shipping, American tonnage has been driven out of American foreign carrying trade; that over 90 per cent of our foreign commerce is carried by foreign ships; that congress has by its attention to this subject of recent years led the people to expect affirmative and effective legislation; that those now in control of the legislative and administrative branches of our government have repeatedly pledged themselves to provide it; that a well considered bill is now pending, having already passed one branch of congress; that the session is drawing to an end; that if long-needed and long-delayed relief is to come it should come now and that its further postponement is as unjust to the great industry affected as it is perilous to the nation and subversive to our true independence."

Sealed Verdict Returned.

Pittsburg, Feb. 21.—The jury in the trial of Dr. Ellis Duncan for the shooting of Bruce Head returned a sealed verdict at 6:15 last night, after a deliberation of two hours. The jurors retired at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon after one of the hardest fought legal battles that ever occurred in the local courts characterized by the offering of strikingly sensational testimony. Those who were hopeful of acquittal found nothing encouraging in the long deliberation of the jury. Few, however, believe that the defendant will be found guilty of felonious assault and battery, and think that a verdict for the lesser offense, that of unlawfully wounding, will be rendered The charge to the jury by Judge Frazer seemed to point strongly toward this decree.

Arrested for Murder.

Indianapolis, Feb. 21.—Henry Gooden and Samuel Mills, wanted at Asheville, N. C., on the charge of murdering a man in June, 1901, were arrested here last night. Gooden is charged with having committed the crime and Mills with being an accomplice. Previous to the alleged crime the men had been in the regular army in the Philippines The murder was committed in the home of Lulu Davis at Asheville. The men were arrested on descriptions sent out by the North Carolina authorities.

Another Death from Trolley Accident.

Newark, N. J., Feb. 21.—Jennie E. McLelland, one of the victims of the disaster, died at the City hospital yesterday, making the ninth death Miss McLelland was 16 years old. Her mother arrived at the hospital a few minutes before the girl's death. When her daughter expired Mrs. McLelland collapsed and is in a serious condition.

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Mountain people are numerous in town today They always are when sledding is good

Miss Stella Mentzel of McKeesport is a guest at the home of her aunt, Mrs. P. A. Leibegger, West Peach street.

Tomorrow is Washington's birthday, but the legal holiday will be observed on Monday

The celebrated Hanan Shoes for men, that sell everywhere at $5.00 and $6.00, can be bought at Mace & Co.'s at only $3.98

Ex-County Treasurer R. C. Hough of Uniontown was in town Friday seeing friends and looking after some business interests.

Before signing new telephone contracts see the representative of the Tri-State Telephone Company and learn what they are going to do for you.

Harry Dunn Miss Peach Dunn, Mayme Buttermore and Miss Jennie Vance are in New York buying spring goods for Dunn's store They will return next week

A representative of the Tri-State Telephone Company will soon call upon you with a contract for telephone service with some special inducements. See him before signing any other

F. A. Brookman of Scottdale, proprietor of the Scottdale House, was in town Friday evening. He says it is necessary to visit large towns occasionally, to keep up with the times.

A dance will be given in Liederkrantz Hall next Tuesday evening by the Deutcher Liederkrantz. This will be the last social function in the hall before the beginning of the Lenten season.

Private letters from Cincinnati, O., say that Mrs. Jean Halstead Davidson, widow of the late William A. Davidson, has been very ill for the past seven weeks. She is under the care of two doctors and her condition gives her relatives and friends much anxiety.

Harry McDonald of Eighth street, who was accidentally shot some weeks ago, and who has since been at the Cottage State Hospital, will be able to leave the institution in a few days. His wound, which was a very serious one, has about healed, and his recovery is considered very remarkable by the hospital surgeons, who had little hopes for his recovery after the accident happened.

The Scottdale Independent says: "Clabaugh Bros., the merchant tailors, removed their merchant tailoring store to Connellsville, Monday, where they have established a fine tailoring department in the Dunn-Paine building immediately over Dunn's store. The Clabaugh brothers made quite a number of friends while located here, and will doubtless build up a large patronage in Connellsville."

The Uniontown Genius says: "Strawn Elwell came up from Perry township Wednesday with the election returns. And as usual he dropped in at the Genius office. Strawn is always welcome He is a jolly good fellow and a jolly good Democrat too. His family say of him that he would get out of bed at any hour of the night to read the Genius of Liberty. No wonder he is a hale and hearty old man, and bids fair to live more than a hundred years."

FARMING IN THE SOUTH

The Passenger Department of the Illinois Central Railroad company is issuing monthly circulars concerning fruit growing, vegetable gardening, stock raising, dairying, etc., in the States of Kentucky, West Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. Every Farmer or Homeseeker, who will forward his name and address to the undersigned will be mailed free Circulars Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, and others as they are published from month to month.

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—AT—

New Orleans.

The Mardi Gras festivities at New Orleans this year will be the grandest ever held and will occur February 23 and 24, although the entire week preceding February 24 will be devoted to celebration by the various organizations that have made "Mardi Gras" and "New Orleans" famous the world over. The Illinois Central railroad is synonymous with "Mardi Gras" and arrangements have been made for special "Tour Service" from Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis for handling passengers to New Orleans for this occasion.

If you are contemplating a trip to the Mardi Gras, make your arrangements at once for sleeping car accommodations, etc. Free descriptive matter and full particulars upon application to

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When you will be confronted with the Wall Paper problem. This season we will make it easier for you by presenting to the public the largest and finest display of the most beautiful designed Paper ever shown in Connellsville.

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Next door to Title & Trust Building.

Why so Many Buy of Us. . . . . .

Because they know we handle only the very best Groceries to be obtained, and that our stock is always fresh.

Because we always have just what you want.

Because we are prompt in delivering the goods, and above all, our prices suit the purchasers.

Send us an order.

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Your Clothes Repaired.

We have added a completely equipped Repairing Department and will hereafter make it a regular part of our business.

Clothing cleaned, repaired and pressed in the best possible manner at reasonable rates.

Give our Repairing Department a trial.

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Our curtain and drapery department contains everything in the way of interior decorations for the home, and we have a little book that tells you all about it—free for the asking.
Our stock of curtains is particularly choice and extensive, and prices are very low.
No freight to pay when you buy from us.

CARPETS

We have everything in the carpet line—as cheap or as costly as you want to go.
We deliver and lay carpets in your town at precisely the same prices we charge in Pittsburg, except a slight charge for car-fare of our workmen.

Write us about your needs, and don't fail to call when you are in the city.

OLIVER McCLINTOCK COMPANY
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DON'T WAIT UNTIL TO-MORROW, BUY TO-DAY.

If you are thinking of purchasing a Watch, Clock, Ring, or in fact anything in our line, do not put it off. Call at once and see what we have and note the low prices on our goods.

Expert Repairing

Is also a feature of our establishment to which we pay special attention.

WAYS'

Next Door P. O. W. Main Street.

Union Supply Company,

—DEALERS IN—

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

45 Department Stores---45

ANNUAL FEBRUARY CLEANING OUT SALE.

As usual every department in every store is now offering special low prices on all odds and ends and all heavy winter goods in general. It's an opportunity to outfit the family at actually one-half original price.

For the Women and Girls.

There is here now numerous nice things in Skirts, Coats, Capes, Heavy Underwear and Hosiery, handsome Drese Patterns, many novel things, all closing out this month at enormous bargain prices.

For Men and Boys.

Here is a line of Winter Overcoats, Suits, Underwear, Caps and Gloves, all going out at the special February reductions. If you want an Overcoat for yourself or boy, you can buy them now at half price. We want to close out the entire stock and must do it.

Shoes for Everybody.

For Men, Dress Shoes or Working Shoes, Rubber Boots or other Boots, whatever you may need in the footwear line, you will find here and you will find the prices the lowest named.

Women's Shoes.

Hundreds of pairs of Women's Shoes now going at the special February reductions. We urge you to take advantage of these genuine bargains.

For the rough and ready playful boy we have good strong water-proof Shoes that will stand his knocks. They are going out at greatly reduced prices.

Our Grocery and Provision departments are beyond comparison. Our goods are always fresh and the best. We dress our own Fresh Meats and have nicely equipped markets connected with all our stores.

Thousands of Bargains for Everybody.

These Union Supply Company bargains wouldn't amount to much if the only attraction were that of cheapness. The importance they hold on the public lie in the fact that it is invariably a case of QUALITY FIRST, PRICE AFTERWARDS, and the cleverness of the achievement consists of maintaining the quality on so high a footing, while forcing the prices down to such a low one by means of powerful and well directed purchasing.

Today's news does not begin to tell the true extent of the February bargains for Men, Women and Children, but even this fragment is strikingly attractive.

The DAILY COURIER

Brings the Desired Results.

It's the BEST for the Advertiser.

ADVERTISING RATES

Advertisers are requested to read these rates carefully and understandingly. They mean just what they say and will be strictly adhered to.

DAILY.

Display Advertisements.

One insertion, 25c per inch each insertion.
One week, 15c per inch each insertion.
One month, 10c per inch each insertion.
Six months, 7c per inch each insertion.

This contemplates continuous insertions. E. O. D. or other irregular insertions one-half more.

Advertisements of one column or less will be changed three times per week without extra charge. Advertisements of more than one column will be changed twice a week without extra charge. For additional changes the compositor's time will be charged extra at the rate of 35c per hour.

Twenty-four hours' notice must be given of the withdrawal of any display advertisement.

No display advertisement guaranteed insertion on the same day copy is furnished. All copy should be in the hands of the compositor 24 hours before publication.

Notice of page and half-page advertisements must be given the business office from two to three days in advance of publication to insure insertion.

Special terms for transient advertising in large quantities.

Special positions not guaranteed.

The publisher reserves the right to refuse the insertion of unsightly cuts or advertising deemed objectionable.

Wants, For Sale, To Lets, Etc.

5c per line each insertion. No advertisement less than 25c.

Reading Notices.

5c per line (black letter counts double.)
Special rate on yearly notices.
Brief Card of Thanks, not over twenty lines, 50c.
Obituary poetry, 10c per line.
Obituary notices that have no news value, 5c per line.
Obituary resolutions and resolutions of respect, etc., 5c per line,
Notices of entertainments, suppers, etc., by churches and societies, given for revenue, 5c per line.

Legal and Official Advertising.

$1.00 per inch for the first insertion and 50c per inch for each subsequent insertion.
Administrators' and Executors' Notices, $3.00 each.

Theatrical Advertising.

10c an inch for each insertion.

Circus Advertising.

30c per inch for the first insertion and 20c for each subsequent insertion.

WEEKLY.

Display Advertisements.

Ten inches or more, one month or more, 15c per inch each insertion.
Less than 10 inches, one month or more, 20c per inch each insertion.
Transient advertisements, 25c per inch each insertion.
All advertisements in the weekly subject to the same conditions as those named for the daily edition, save that orders for space must be in by Monday of each week, and copy for same not later than Tuesday to insure insertion. Advertisements changed every week if desired without extra charge, but copy for large advertisements must be in by Monday evening.
All other advertisements same as daily rates.

THE COURIER,
Daily and Weekly, Connellsville, Pa.
Office, 137½ W. Main Street.

It's the BEST for those wanting NEWS.

That Popular Story

When Knighthood Was in Flower.

Commences in The Daily Courier To-Day.

The Courier.

DAILY AND WEEKLY.

H. P. SNYDER, Editor and Publisher.

127½ WEST MAIN STREET,

CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

ntered at the postoffice at Connellsville, Pa., as second-class matter.

SUBSCRIPTION.

Daily, $3.00 per year; 1 cent per copy.
Weekly, $1.00 per year; 5c per copy.

ADVERTISING.

The Weekly Courier has long been recognized as the best advertising medium in the Connellsville coke region, and this reputation will be fully sustained by The Daily Courier.

Schedule of advertising rates furnished on application.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Ohio—Fair Saturday except probably snow on northeast lake shore; Sunday fair, fresh to brisk southwest to northwest winds.

Western Pennsylvania—Fair and warmer Saturday except probably snow near Lake Erie, fresh south winds; Sunday fair.

West Virginia — Fair Saturday, warmer in east portion; Sunday fair.

EXIT COLONEL GUFFEY.

Colonel James Madison Guffey, the whilom leader of the Pennsylvania Democracy, has nearly run his course. His sun is about to set.

Colonel Guffey has been a picturesque character in State politics, and he has always been "easy." He has kept the spigot in his bar'l continuously, and the measure of his generosity has been the measure of his popularity, so long as there were none to seriously dispute his liberally paid for leadership.

But there are signs of an awakening in the Democratic party. After seven lean and hungry years of disappointment and defeat, it begins to look as if the blind and idolatrous worship of the Free Silver calf would cease and the Democratic party would return to the gods of their fathers.

In Pennsylvania this will mean the elimination of Colonel Guffey. We will part with the gallant Colonel regretfully. Affable to a degree, generous to a fault, strenuous at all times and upon all occasions, he was the bone and sinew of the Pennsylvania Democracy and could always be depended upon to lead them down to disaster.

THE EXCISE BILL.

The Excise bill has appeared again this session. It is a regular visitor at Harrisburg. It takes the granting of liquor licenses out of the hands of the Judges and vests it in an Excise Commission consisting of three members elected in each county to serve for three years.

The Courier has never seen any reason why such a law should be put upon the statute books.

The Courier has opposed this measure, and still disapproves of its passage, for the reason that there is grave danger that the powers of the commission will be abused by prostituting them to personal and political ends.

The license power is very well placed where it is. There let it remain until something better is offered.

THE REPUBLICAN ELEPHANT.

The compilers of the Democratic campaign handbook unconsciously pay the Republican party a high tribute.

On the cover of the book is an elephant, representing the Republican party. Its heart is labeled the Money Power; on its body are depicted the steel, railroad, locomotive and other trusts; the trunk is the rubber trust and the tail the cordage trust. All is supported on legs labeled "the Tariff."

All of which moved Congressman Joe Sibley, in a recent speech in the House, to say: "There is not a single enterprise in this country which is moving and going forward, which is extending our domestic and our foreign commerce, which is not in some way represented in the anatomy of this great Republican elephant. I find that all these industries, all these great enterprises, everything which is moving forward and carrying humanity's hopes with it, is represented somewhere here, and all these great enterprises standing on the tariff."

THE LAW AND THE UNIONS.

Last year, says an exchange, the English House of Lords decided, in the now celebrated case of the Taff Vale Railway Company against the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, that the defendants, a sort of labor union, was suable in the courts of law for injuries purposely done by its authority and procurance.

This was in opposition to the contention of the union that it was not a person, a firm or a corporation rendered capable by an Act of Parliament of being sued.

A suit for damages brought by the railway company against the union because of alleged conspiracy in bringing about a strike a couple of years ago has recently resulted in a verdict against the union for $135,000.

The Justice who presided at the trial summed up by saying that the evidence was absolutely overwhelming, that the action of the defendant society amounted to what the law called unlawful conspiracy to molest and injure the plaintiffs in their business by unlawful means. The idea of nonresponsibility advanced on the part of the Society was, the Justice said, contrary to common law and common sense.

The United States gets its common law from English decisions and practices, at least so far as they antedate our own. So that the same ruling may apply to this land, and if it does it will regulate the question of outrages to a great extent.

HARSH WORDS.

The superheated organ of Prohibition, The People's Tribune, concludes an otherwise more or less abusive editorial on the iniquitous practice of granting licenses in the following terms:

"The Judges of Fayette county had better license eight professional robbers, eight professional thieves, eight professional slanderers and a dozen pickpockets, than to again grant to the eight saloon keepers license to ply their devilish business another year."

Such vile and course abuse will not help the Prohibition cause any. The Uniontown applicants may not wear the halo of sanctification that crowns Editor Likins' dome of thought, but they are not "professional thieves, slanderers or pickpockets."

The Monessen News wants the borough lines enlarged. What, so soon!

We are tempted to believe that the editorial page of The Courier possesses some excellence. Certain it is that it is freely drawn upon by some of our contemporaries, with and without credit. Help yourselves, boys.

The biennial Ballot Reform stew is cooking at Harrisburg, but heaven only knows what the broth will be like.

As a revenue-raiser, New Haven's mayorality court is not a howling success. New Haven ought to get into the borough combine.

THE CHURCHES.

What is going on in Religious Circles and the Sermons on Sunday.

Sunday announcement, First Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. W. H. Gladden, pastor. Sunday School promptly at 9.30 A. M. Decision Day and general rally of all the members of the school. Public preaching at 10.30 A. M., sermon by Rev. J. S. Leland, Pittsburg; noonday Class meeting at 11.30 A. M.; Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting at 6.45 P. M.; preaching by the pastor at 7.30 P. M. These services will be of a revival character throughout the day. Revival meeting each evening next week, promptly at 7.45. Preaching tonight, by Rev. Leland. The public is cordially invited to all these meetings. "Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

At the Christian Church, Rev. A. T. Campbell of Pittsburg will preach at 10.30 A. M. In the evening the Christian Endeavor Society will present a missionary program entitled "Saving India's Orphans." Sunday School at 9.30 A. M., with a hearty welcome for young and old.

The Rev. Dr. T. S. Cartwright, rector, will conduct divine services and preach in Trinity Church, New Haven, in the morning at 10.30, and in the evening in St. John's German Lutheran Church, Connellsville. In the afternoon he will preach in St. John's Church, Dunbar, at 3. These services will be in preparation for Lent, commencing on Ash Wednesday, and all persons are invited to attend. On Ash Wednesday there will be services in Trinity Church at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.

The First Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. M. A. Rigg, pastor, will hold the regular services tomorrow. Preaching at 10.30 A. M., on "True Greatness," and at 7.30 P. M. on the "First American." The League service at 6.30 will be led by Mr. Grant Meyers. The Sunday School will be held at 2 P. M. and class service at 9.15 A. M.

Union Church of South Connellsville, Rev. R. Powell, pastor. Services at 10.30 A. M. and 6.30 P. M. Morning subject, "The Christian's Wealth." Evening subject, "Redeemed Blood." All are cordially invited to attend.

Sunday services at the United Brethren Church, Crawford avenue, W. V. Barnhart, pastor. Bible school at 9.30 A. M.; preaching services, 10.30 A. M.; Y. P. C. U. prayer meeting 6.30 P. M.; evangelical services 7.30 P. M. Revival meeting this evening, and each evening next week at 7.30.

The pastor, Rev. J. C. Cobb, will preach at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. in the South Side Baptist Church. Sunday School at 2 P. M. All are invited to these services.

Trinity Reformed Church, corner Pittsburg and Green streets, Sunday. Sunday School 9.30 A. M.; services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.; Christian Endeavor at 6.30 P. M. A. J. Heller, pastor.

South Connellsville Evangelical Church. Preaching at 10.30 A. M.; Sunday School at 2.30 P. M.; prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30; Y. P. A. Friday evening at 7.45. All are welcome. W. H. McLaughlin, pastor.

Judge Kooser's Daughter Weds.

Miss Mary Kooser, daughter of Judge J. F. Kooser of Somerset, was married there Wednesday to William D. Sargent, Vice President of the New York & New Jersey Telephone Company.

MID-WINTER EXCURSIONS.

To Washington and Baltimore Very Low Rates via B. & O.

In accordance with its usual custom, the Baltimore & Ohio railroad will run two popular mid-winter excursions from Connellsville, Pa., to Washington and Baltimore on Thursday, February 19, 1903, at the very low rate of $7.35 for the round trip, tickets valid for return ten days, including date of sale. Solid vestibuled trains, standard coaches, Pullman parlor and sleeping cars.

These delightful excursion afford splendid opportunities to visit the National Capital while Congress is in session. Get detailed information from ticket agent. A most complete and fully illustrated guide to Washington may be purchased from agent at 10 cents per copy.

Lost.

LOST—GENTLEMAN'S POCKETBOOK this morning between Main and Green streets on Pittsburg street, containing considerable money and valuable papers. Finder will be liberally rewarded by returning same to James S. Burr. Papers are valuable only to owner, and are the first consideration. 19feb3t*

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WANTED — A GOOD ERRAND AND stock boy. Address "A," care The Courier.

WANTED —TWELVE GOOD CARPENters. Apply at once to the office of the SEMET-SOLVAY COMPANY, Dunbar, Pa. 17feb5td

WANTED.—A GOOD GIRL FOR GENERal housework. Wages $3 per week. Apply to G. C. LANDIS, 109 East Green St., South Side. 21feb2t

WANTED—TO RENT, BY A YOUNG married couple, two or three nice rooms with a good family in New Haven or Connellsville. Inquire at Fayette Republican office, No. 129 East Main street, Connellsville, Pa. 19 20 feb d

WANTED—ENERGETIC MEN TO REPresent an old established Accident and Sickness Corporation. Liberal inducements offered. Address EDWIN B. QUACKENBUSH, General Manager, 35 Nassau street, New York, N. Y. 20feb4td

Charter Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN application will be made to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on Monday, March 2, 1903, by Rockwell Marietta, Clair Stillwagon and William H. Marietta, under provisions of the Act of Assembly, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation, to be called THE CLAIR AND ROCKWELL COAL COMPANY, the character and object of which is the mining of coal and the manufacturing of coke, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and the supplements thereto.

STERLING HIGBEE & DUMPAULD,
feb7-14-21 Solicitors.

Bakery.

A. J. TEMPLETON, CITY BAKERY. We use nothing but the best of everything in our product. A trial will make you a regular customer. Health bread a specialty. No. 232 North Pittsburg street.

Cigar and News Depot.

ALL THE LATEST PUBLICATIONS AS soon as they are out. Keep in touch with life and letter. Everything in the news line at G. M. GRAPP'S CIGAR STORE, 110 N. Pittsburg street.

Contractor and Builder.

NEW HAVEN BUILDING CO., BUILDing contractors. Stores and offices fitted up. Repair work of all kinds attended to. Office opposite P. R. Depot, New Haven. Bell Telephone, 165.

Dyeing and Cleaning.

FOOTER'S DYE WORKS, EXPERT DYers and Cleaners, Cumberland, Md. R. S. HURRELL, Agent, Main street, New Haven, Pa.

Electrical Contractor.

CALL ON McCLAY ELECTRIC COMpany, Electrical Contractors, Stillwagon Building.

Hotels.

HOTEL VICTORIA, J. B. MOLONEY, Proprietor. Newly furnished and all modern conveniences. Rates $1.50 per day. Table furnished with the best the market affords.

Marble Yard.

IF YOU WANT TO BUY A TOMBSTONE, monument or lot fence, call on A. W. HART, New Haven, Pa.

Milliner.

MRS. EMMA F. VANCE, 111 W. APPLE street. I am selling out at cost all the Fall Hats I have on hand. Don't miss this opportunity of a lifetime.

Milk.

MILK, MILK—PURE MILK PROPERly cared for. Ice cream always on hand. Free city delivery. F. C. ROSE, 409 Pittsburg street. Both Phones.

Plumbing and Gas Fitting.

JOHN B. SKINNER, 115 WEST APPLE street, Hot Water and Steam Heating, Plumbing and Gas Fitting; Furnaces, Heaters, Ranges; Tin and Slate Roofing. Tri-State Phone 218.

Real Estate.

IF IT IS A HOME OR LOT YOU WANT to buy, or an office room to rent, call on BRYNER & CO., Room 308, First National Bank Building.

Roofers.

CYPHER & SON, PLUMBING, TINNING and heating. Estimates on contract work. Bell Phone, Tri-State Phone.

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J. L. EVANS, LIVERY, FEED AND SALE stables, 121 Peach street. Phones, Tri-State No. 157, C. D. T. P. Co., No. 50.

SHAFFER & BLAIR'S LIVERY AND training stables. U. S. Livery. Good stock. Fine carriages and buggies. Special attention given to funerals. Rates to commercial men. A. D. BLAIR, Manager. Shyock 2/24½ in the stud. Horses broken, trained and cared. Particular attention paid to campaigners. J. A. SHAFFER, trainer, Dawson, Pa. Bell Phone 32-2.

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A resort for gentlemen and headquarters for commercial men.
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ALL KINDS OF MEATS,
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All kinds of Fresh, Smoked and Salt-meats, Homemade Sausages, Puddings, Lard, Fresh Sauer Kraut, Mince Meat, Etc.
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Hammondville Soap Mfg. Co.
Will call at your place in case of death of horses, cattle or hogs and remove them for $1.50 per head from Connellsville. Notify by Bell Phone 10, M. LEVIN,
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A Modern Cafe for Ladies and Gentlemen.
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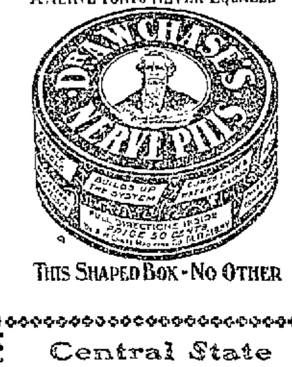
The best Shop in town. Everything new. First-Class Barbers.
TUB AND SHOWER BATHS.

Connellsville Real Estate Bulletin,
Office, 201 W. Main Street,
Connellsville, Pa.
Eight houses for rent in South Connellsville, Pa.; 4, 7 and 8 rooms.
Houses and lots for sale in all sections of town.
East End Acre Gardens—Ten little farms from one to ten acres on small payments, along street car line, one mile from Connellsville.
Call at office if you have anything to sell or want to purchase a farm, a house, a lot, or rent a house; or we will look after the renting of your property.

A NERVE TONIC NEVER EQUALED


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Address, for illustrated catalog,
THE PRINCIPAL.

CONNELLSVILLE THEATRE
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Saturday, Feb. 21,
MATINEE AND NIGHT.
A Guaranteed Attraction.
Louis J. Russell
And a Strong Supporting Company in
THE MIDDLEMAN.
BEAUTIFUL STORY,
A GREAT PLAY,
SUPERB SCENERY.
PRICES.
Matinee, - - 15 and 25c
Night. - 25, 35, 50 and 75c
Seats at Clarke's Jewelry Store.
Phone 245.

Monday, Feb. 23.
Special extra engagement of Hoyts Famous Comedian,
JAMES B. MACKIE,

And a big company of 20 people, including Louise Sanford, clever comedian, and Harry Wright, the popular singing comedian, presenting an entire new edition of the pantomimical musical farce.
"Grimes' Cellar Door."
A bevy of Pretty Girls handsomely gowned.
A coterie of America's Cleverest Comedians.
A galaxy of exclusive Vaudeville Surprises.
New Songs, Dances and Musical Interruptions.
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Way Down in Price

WHAT? Overcoats of all descriptions at Tumpson's. We know that the time for selling Overcoats is very limited, therefore the cut of ⅓ on every one in the store. We have them in long lengths with side pockets and cuffs, or the box style, very nobby, the very latest colors, in Black, Blue, Oxford Gray, or Olive to choose from.

TUMPSON'S,
141 North Pittsburg St., Connellsville.

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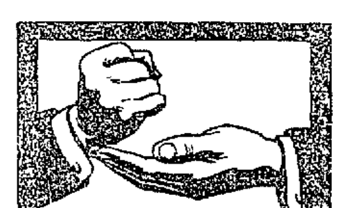
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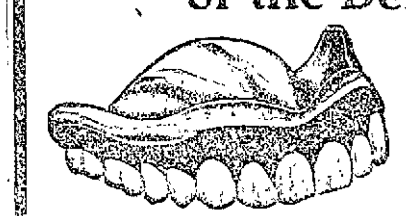
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Remember, no pain in any operation, and all work guaranteed 20 years. We are here to stay.
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Fine Job Work
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Great Record Made Last Year by Pittsburg Car Service Association.

BEAT ALL OTHER DISTRICTS.

Notes Persona and Otherwise of Interest to the Railroad Men Who Run on the Pittsburg and Connellsville Divisions of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad

Reports covering the year's work up to the time of the annual meeting of the Pittsburg Car Service Association on Wednesday show that in the past year 1 892 777 cars were handled in the district over which the Pittsburg Car Service Association has jurisdiction. This is an increase of 12 7 [illegible] above the year before when 1 712 928 cars were handled. The Pittsburg District this year as for several years past eclipses all other districts in the amount of its car service operations.

The average detention of cars on all lines was 78 100 of one day. This is an improvement by a small fraction over the year before. Over 85 per cent of the cars handled were released within 48 hours. The total demurrage charges amounted in the past year to $107 265 37 as compared with $86 154 99 in 1901. The division of the business among the various lines in Pittsburg was as follows: Pittsburg Division Pennsylvania railroad 369 968; West Penn 131 972; Pittsburg Virginia & Charleston 191 017; Buffalo & Allegheny Valley Division 190 920; Pennsylvania Company Ft Wayne 2[illegible] 514; Panhandle 90 477; Baltimore & Ohio 295 087; Pittsburg & Lake Erie 277 275; Pittsburg Chartiers & Youghiogheny, 2 9[illegible]; Bessemer & Lake Erie [illegible] 201; Wheeling Terminal 15 68[illegible]; Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburg 11 19[illegible]; Monongahela Connecting; Jones & Laughlin 115 357.

The showing of the Jones & Laughlin line is remarkable for a line which switches for just one company. It is easy to understand the eagerness of the Wabash to make a connection with that company's road when over 115 000 cars of freight were handled by it in a year.

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M F Lancaster extra passenger conductor of Hazelwood was in Connellsville yesterday.

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Engineer Martin King held down the run on passenger trains Nos 50 and 51 between Connellsville and Fairmont the first of the week during the absence of the regular engineer the veteran George McCartney. King is an east end man and is accustomed to some pretty cold breezes that blow over the mountains on cold nights but he says they are gentle spring zephyrs compared to the gale that was blowing up the Monongahela river beween Point Marion and Morgantown on Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday.

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Extremely cold weather with a little snow on the rails make it very difficult for engineers running at a fair rate of speed to hear signal caps. The cold also has a peculiar effect on the sound of a locomotive whistle while running. It does not carry half the distance it does under ordinary weather conditions.

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Engineer R W Guthrie who was killed the other night at Foley station was one of the best known and most popular freight men on the Connellsville Division. A giant in stature he had a heart that fit his massive frame. The night he was killed he was out oiling his engine and had a cap pulled down over his ears. He stepped up on the opposite track from his engine just as a helper came down the mountain. It carried him half a mile before the accident was discovered. Guthrie is the second Meyersdale engineer who has been killed within a short time the other being Robert Curtis. Both had helping engines considered one of the safest positions on the road.

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Tucker Hunt passenger conductor on Nos 3 and [illegible] is off duty and is confined at his home in Uniontown on account of illness. Capt Jim Puller of this place is on the run.

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Conductor Joe Webber is not only a first class railroader but an artist of no small ability. Very recently he completed a set of blue prints of the Lockrone Y which he presented to Conductor Dudley Fle[illegible]es. On account of the complicated arrangement of the Y at that place several conductors have experienced considerable trouble in turning their engines and trains and the blue prints were made to serve as a guide for men unfamiliar with the track, Webber says.

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An item in Tuesday's Courier to the effect that passenger train No 7 was five hours late on that day is incorrect according to Conductor Joe Webber who says he made a resolution on the first of the year to run on time and since then has brought No 7 in on the minute.

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Engineers William Thornley and Thomas Burton [illegible] to be two of the most particular men about their engines on the Pittsburg and Connellsville Divisions of the B & O. They have through runs from Pittsburg to Cumberland and when they turn their engines in at the Glenwood shops with work marked [illegible] to be done on them they frequently stay right there though their runs may be over until it is finished. To haul the Duquesne on Nos 9 and 10 over the mountains and back at [illegible] an engine they figure ought to be in just as good shape as the shop can make her.

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Thomas Ryan the senior member of the Poor Board of Fayette county who is an engineer on the B & O expects to get back on [illegible] about the middle of next month or the first of April. He met with an accident on his engine several months ago severely injuring his [illegible] and breaking the [illegible] in his right hand.

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The 1790 engines on the B & O's Connellsville Division are admired by engineers not only for the [illegible] with which they steam and wall up the hills between here and Cumberland with a load but also because of their comfort. Their cabs are open and warm. All the pipes that make heat are inside the cab which can be closed securely by sliding doors across the entrance. In the summer time on the other hand they can be thrown open so that the heat from the inside pipe is not particularly noticed.

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Charles R Graft fireman on passenger trains Nos [illegible]0 and [illegible]1 on the Fairmont Division has held that position for a number of years preferring it to promotion to the right hand side of the cab. The pay averages better than many engineers on the road considering time lost and the responsibility is not so great. Jesse Woods of Rockwood is another fireman who has held the same passenger run between Rockwood and Johnstown for a long while in preference to promotion.

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R L O'Donnell formerly Superintendent of the Pittsburg Division of the Pennsylvania railroad but now General Superintendent of the Buffalo & Allegheny Valley Grand Division was presented last Wednesday by the passenger conductors of his old division with a handsome silver and cut glass water set. The presentation took place at the Union Station. W H Nelbaum Stationmaster spoke for the conductors.

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The [illegible] days of [illegible] took all the romance out of working a freight train between here and Cumberland over the picturesque B & O. Coming over a mixed freight at night with the thermometer ten degrees below zero and a gale blowing a thirty mile an hour train takes both supreme nerve and magnificent hardihood.

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Demurrage charges in the Pittsburg district are likely to undergo a change in favor of the railroads. The increased charges for cars will be based as now on periods of 48 hours. After the usual lapse of 48 hours a charge of $ for the following 48 hours is put in and $1 for every additional 48 hours. It is proposed to raise the first charge to about $[illegible] the second day to [illegible] $ then $1 and so on.

THE PLAY

Features of the Attractions Billed Here This Week

James B Mackie who originated the bell boy in Hoyt's first success "A Bunch of Keys" and last season played Toby, the leading comedy part of Charles H Yale's Davis Auction Company is his season presenting his own comedy "Grimes Cellar Door" which he has had entirely rewritten and made up to date with lots of new tricks so that the new Cellar Door with its first class cast headed by that clever comedienne Miss Louise Sanford in her old part of the Statue has ever since the opening of the season had very large houses packing them to the doors to greet Grimesey Me Boy and his merry company. They will appear at the Connellsville Theatre Monday February 2?

By arrangements with Daniel Frohman Louis J Russel will present the famous drama of "The Middleman" at the Connellsville Theatre this afternoon and evening. Nature has favored Mr Russell in giving him a fine equipment mentally and physically. His feelings are deep and he means a his command for their adequate utterance extraordinary. Not mere strength of voice alone but the art he [illegible] of apparently being carried away by the strength of his emotion and the power of gracefully bearing his audiences in harmonious sympathy to his own depicted feelings characterize his emotional work. A company of exceptional ability ably assist this talented actor and the staging of the play is complete.

At the Connellsville Theatre Wednesday February 25 the celebrated comedy drama "The P[illegible] Train" will make its appearance. The comedy and dramatic element is very strong. The scenic and mechanical effects are startling. The performance of Miss Louise Erwin and the company which surrounds her are exceptionally clever. The music and specialties are pleasing. Prices 1[illegible] 35 and 50 cents.

Hoyt's "A Texas Steer" will be here Friday February 27.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town

Send in any matter of news to The Daily Courier.

Mace & Co are selling the $1 00 and $1 [illegible] boys knee pants at 75c.

Crossett's $4 00 and $4 50 men's shoes sell at Mace & Co's at only $3 2[illegible].

Orders for photo medallions will not be accepted after March first. Mace & Co.

Mace & Co are selling the famous John Kelly's ladies shoes $4 00 shoes at only $1 95.

Otto Ehlert's Apple street market is always well supplied with the choicest [illegible] lines of meats for the family trade. Meats delivered.

C H Ormsby who is in charge of the Baltimore & Ohio's [illegible] operations in the vicinity of Confluence was in town Friday.

The Tri-State Telephone Company will have several special features in their new contracts. See their representative before signing a new contract.

Dr Woods has removed his dental rooms to the new First National Bank building second story lower front room immediately over the bank room.

William Earnest of Tip Top and Miss Jennie Freshleigh of Connell[illegible] avenue North Side were married Thursday by Rev John Burns of the Immaculate Conception Church. After the wedding a number of guests assembled at the Freshleigh home where a dinner was served. The couple will make their home at Tip Top where Mr Earnest is employed.

Isaac L Johnston well known in Connellsville and Fayette county was in town Friday on his way from Colorado to his home at Culpepper Va. Mr Johnston was District Attorney of Fayette county during the famous trial of the Molly McGuires for the murder of Morris Hayes Superintendent of the Dunbar Furnace. He is now interested in gold and silver mining in the West and says there has been a marked change in the conditions governing gold and silver markets of the world within the past few months. Mr Johnston views the matter from a strictly free silver standpoint.

A feature of Senior Class program last night was the recital of an unpublished poem written by Alysari Cell. The young lady who essayed its interpretation is Miss Helen Armstrong one of the brightest girls of the Class and daughter of A Armstrong Cashier of the Second National Bank. A curious feature of this connection is that of all the work of this local writer that has appeared she has never figured on a local program till now. Last week "The Magic of a Man" on which first was published in The Youth's Companion was recited in a literary gathering in New York.

MRS ELIZABETH BUTTERMORE

Sketch of Her by a Massillon Ohio Newspaper

The Massillon Ohio Independent prints the following notice of the death of Mrs Elizabeth Buttermore who was a sister of J R Balsley of New Haven. The funeral of Mrs Elizabeth Buttermore took place at Newman's Creek chapel on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. The Rev Mr White of the chapel officiated. Interment was made in the chapel churchyard. Mrs Buttermore was born in Connellsville Pa June 14 1820 and was married to George Buttermore June 29 18[illegible]. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Balsley. She had two sisters and twelve brothers of whom only three brothers survive J R Balsley and Christian Balsley of Connellsville Pa and Joseph Balsley of Indianapolis Ind who were present at the funeral. There were born to this union eleven children three girls and eight boys. Of these six boys and one girl survive.

Mrs Buttermore was a good christian woman and was an active member of the United Brethren Church. She took part in the protracted meetings at the chapel one week before her death. The pallbearers were her six sons William John Robert James Edward and David. The floral tributes were very beautiful especially those donated by Isaac Balsley of Pennsylvania and the High School classes of Massillon of which her two nieces were members.

New Home for Y M C A

At Tyrone Pa the Pennsylvania Railroad Young Men's Christian Association which will soon have a new home built on the ground donated by the company. The building will be three stories high 50x80 feet in size and will contain a gymnasium shower baths toilet room and an auditorium with a seating capacity of [illegible]. On the upper floor will be sleeping apartments for the use of the railroaders who are stopping in the town. The structure will cost $[illegible]0 000 and will be ready for [illegible] in seven months.

Euchre Party

The Misses Donegan entertained a number of friends at their North Pittsburg street home Friday evening. Cards were the evening's pastime and a midnight daintily appointed lunch course was served. The ladies first prize was won by Miss Thomas. It was a pretty [illegible]. Ernest St Ilwagor won the gentlemen's first prize a handsome euchre deck. Miss Jennie McHugh won a handsome picture. The affair was a very enjoyable one.

Remonstrances Filed

Remonstrances against the granting of liquor licenses to Robert Lochne of Boswell Albert J Stein of Salisbury and Calvin L Deal of Somerfield were filed last week at Somerset.

Dawson Brevities

John H Wurtz left last evening on a pleasure trip to New York.

Rev C A Wilson was a Connellsville visitor yesterday.

Mr and Mrs P C McGibbons are in New York where Mr McGibbons is buying goods for the Dawson Supply Company.

Alva Cochran is home from Trinity Hall for a short vacation.

Miss Maude Best is visiting friends in Dickerson Run today.

THIS STORE CLOSES AT 6 P M

DUNN'S CASH STORES

Carpets and Curtains

Now it's early to commence thinking about the new Carpet. Good reasons for buying now: assortments are better and larger than they will be later on. We believe that this store can save you money on your Carpets—make you believe this too if you will come in and let us figure with you on your Carpet wants. Ever see what a room we have here for showing Carpets—how well it is suited for that purpose—how much daylight is here to help you see the Carpet as it will look in your room at home? You can pick out your Carpet now and we will make it and lay it for you when you're ready for it.

A New Stinson

Most of you know this make of Carpets. Ever since this has been a Carpet store we have handled this make of Carpets—handled them almost exclusively in the grades. We have continued our sales to these because time had proven them to be the best of their kind. This year there is a new grade to show you. It's a real Wilton Velvet heavier than the regular velvet, closer woven and with a longer nap. It possible better colors than in their regular velvet. Priced at $1 25 the yard and this includes making laying and lining. It represents more beauty and more service than anything you could buy for this price.

Ingrain Carpets

As many but not more of these to show than ever before. Full weight, and that means 22 ounces for every yard. And the weight means something in an Ingrain Carpet. Lots of Carpets that are all wool would be better if they had some cotton in them, because they are so light in weight. Best way is for you to come in and examine these—get hold of them and feel their weight—then you will know how good they are. All wool you can see that for yourself when you get hold of them. Same price as last year 65c the yard.

Lace Curtains

We have sort of a hobby in Curtains—always want to start the season with a Curtain at $2 00 the pair that is so much better than anything you would expect to find at that price. Maybe we talk too much to you about this $2 00 Curtain, perhaps so but we would like to have you come in and see how well we have succeeded in finding a bargain for you at this price—$2 00. Sometimes here too are Arabian Curtains that are worth coming to see. Prices on these range from $[illegible] 00 the pair up to $18 00. All these with net and door panels to match.

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Granite Carpets better than Hemp to wear, worth 39c per yard, now only 25c

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New designs and stylish patterns in 10 wire Brussels, worth at least $1 15, now only 89c

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2 Cans Sliced Peaches	25	3 Boxes Cond Mince Meat	25c
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WHEN KNIGHTHOOD WAS IN FLOWER

Or, The Love Story of Charles Brandon and Mary Tudor the King's Sister, and Happening In the Reign of His August Majesty King Henry the Eighth

Rewritten and Rendered Into Modern English From Sir Edwin Caskoden's Memoir

By EDWIN CASKODEN [CHARLES MAJOR]

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THE CASKODENS

WE Caskodens take great pride in our ancestry. Some persons I know hold all that to be totally un-Solomon-like and the height of vanity, but they usually have no ancestors of whom to be proud. The man who does not know who his great-grandfather was naturally enough would not care what he was. The Caskodens have pride of ancestry because they know both who and what.

We have a right to be proud, for there is an unbroken male line from William the Conqueror down to the present time. In this lineal list are fourteen barons—the title lapsed when Charles I fell—twelve Knights of the Garter and forty seven Knights of the Bath and other orders. A Caskoden distinguished himself by gallant service under the great Norman and was given rich English lands and a fair Saxon bride, albeit an unwilling one, as his reward. With this fair unwilling Saxon bride and her long plait of yellow hair goes a very pretty pathetic story, which I may tell you at some future time if you take kindly to this. A Caskoden was seneschal to William Rufus and sat at the rich half barbaric banquets in the first great hall. Still another was one of the doughty barons who wrested from John the great charter, England's declaration of independence; another was high in the councils of Henry V. I have omitted one whom I should not fail to mention, Adjodika Caskoden, who was a member of the dunce parliament of Henry IV, so called because there were no lawyers in it.

It is true that in the time of Edward IV a Caskoden did stoop to trade, but it was trade of the most dignified, honorable sort—he was a goldsmith, and his guild, as you know, were the bankers and international clearing house for people, kings and nobles.

Now, it has been the custom of the Caskodens for centuries to keep a record of events as they have happened both private and public. Some are in the form of diaries and journals like those of Pepys and Evelyn; others in letters like the Paston; others again in verse and song like Chaucer's and the Water Poet's, and still others in the more pretentious form of narrative and chronicle. These records we always have kept jealously within our family, thinking it vulgar, like the Pastons, to submit our private affairs to public gaze.

There can, however, be no reason why those parts treating solely of outside matters should be so carefully guarded, and I have determined to choose for publication such portions as do not divulge family secrets or skeletons and which really redound to family honor.

For this occasion I have selected from the chronicle of my worthy ancestor and namesake, Sir Edwin Caskoden, grandson of the goldsmith and master of the dance to Henry VIII, the story of Charles Brandon and Mary Tudor, sister to the king.

This story is so well known to the student of English history that I fear its repetition will lack that zest which attends the development of an unforeseen denouement, but it is of so great interest and is so full in its sweet, fierce manifestation of the one thing insolable by time—love—that I will nevertheless rewrite it from old Sir Edwin's memoir.

CHAPTER I

THE DUEL

IT sometimes happens, Sir Edwin says, that when a woman will she won't, and when she won't she will, but usually in the end the adage holds good. That sentence may not be luminous with meaning, but I will give you an illustration.

I think it was in the spring of 1509—at any rate soon after the death of the Modern Solomon, as Queen Catherine called her old father in law, the late King Henry VII—that his august majesty Henry VIII, "the vndubitate flower and very Heire of both the seyd Linages," came to the throne of England and tendered me the honorable position of master of the dance at his sumptuous court.

As to "worldly goods," as some of the new religionists call wealth, I was very comfortably off, having inherited from my father, one of the counselors of Henry VII, a very competent fortune indeed. How my worthy father contrived to save from the greedy hand of that rich old miser so great a fortune I am sure I cannot tell. He was the only man of my knowledge who did it, for the old king had a reach as long as the kingdom, and upon one pretext or another appropriated to himself everything on which he could lay his hands. My father, however, was himself pretty shrewd in money matters, having inherited, along with his fortune, a rare knack at keeping it. His father was a goldsmith in the time of King Edward and enjoyed the marked favor of that puissant prince.

Being thus in a position of affluence I cared nothing for the fact that little or no emolument went with the office. It was the honor which delighted me. Besides, I was thereby an inmate of the king's palace and brought into intimate relations with the court and above all with the finest ladies of the land—the best company a man can keep, since it ennobles his mind with better thoughts, purifies his heart with cleaner motives and makes him gentle without detracting from his strength. It was an office any lord of the kingdom might have been proud to hold.

Now, some four or five years after my induction into this honorable office there came to court news of a terrible duel fought down in Suffolk, one of which only one of the four combatants had come alive—two rather, but one of them in a condition worse than death. The first survivor was a son of Sir William Brandon, and the second was a man called Sir Adam Judson. The story went that young Brandon and his elder brother, both just home from the continental wars, had met Judson at an Ipswich inn, where there had been considerable gambling among them. Judson had won from the brothers a large sum of money which they had brought home, for, notwithstanding their youth, the elder being but twenty six and the younger about twenty four years of age, they had gained great honor and considerable profit in the wars, especially the younger, whose name was Charles.

It is a little hard to fight for money and then to lose it by a single spot up on the die, but such is the fate of him who plays, and a philosopher will swallow his ill luck and ale to fighting for more. The Brandons could have done this easily enough, especially Charles, who was an offhand philosopher, rather fond of a good humored fight, had it not been that in the course of play one young the secret of Judson's winning had been disclosed by a discovery that he cheated. The Brandons wanted unto their money, and then trouble began, which resulted in a duel on the second morning following.

This Judson was a Scotch gentleman of whom very little was known except that he was counted the most deadly and most cruel duelist of the time. He was called the Killing Death, and it is said he took pride in the appellation. He boasted that he had fought eighty seven duels, in which he had killed seventy five men, and it was considered certain death to meet him. I got the story of the duel afterward from Brandon, as I give it here.

John was the elder brother, and when the challenge came was entitled to fight first by birthright, out of which Charles tried in vain to talk him. The brothers told their father, Sir William Brandon, and at the appointed time father and sons repaired to the place of meeting, where they found Judson and his two seconds ready for the fight.

Sir William was still a vigorous man with few equals in sword play, and the sons, especially the younger, were better men and more skillful than their father had ever been; yet they felt that this duel meant certain death, so great was Judson's fame for skill and cruelty. Notwithstanding, they were sobered with this feeling of impending evil, they met their duty without a tremor, for the motto of their house was "Malo Mori Quam Fedari."

It was a misty morning in March. Brandon has told me since that when his elder brother took his stand it was at once manifest that he was Judson's superior both in strength and skill, but after a few strokes the brother's blade bent double and broke off short at the hilt when it should have gone home. Thereupon Judson, with a malignant smile of triumph, deliberately selected his opponent's heart and pierced it with his sword, giving the blade a twist as he drew it out in order to cut and mutilate the more.

In an instant Sir William's doublet was off, and he was in his dead son's tracks, ready to avenge him or to die.

Fight, you bloodhound!

Again the thrust which should have killed broke the sword, and the father died as the son had died.

After this came young Charles, expecting, but so great was his strong heart, not one whit fearing to lie beside his dead father and brother. He knew he was the superior of both in strength and skill, and his knowledge of men and the noble art told him they had each been the superior of Judson, but the fellow's hand seemed to be the hand of death. An opening came through Judson's unskillful play, which gave young Brandon an opportunity for a thrust to kill, but his blade, like his father's and his brother's, bent double without piercing. Unlike the others, however, it did not break, and the thrust revealed the fact that Judson's skill as a duelist lay in a shirt of mail which it was useless to try to pierce. Aware of this, Brandon knew that victory was his, and that soon he would have avenged the murders that had gone before. He saw that his adversary was strong neither in wind nor arm, and had not the skill to penetrate his guard in a week's trying, so he determined to fight on the defensive until Judson's strength should wane, and then to kill him when and how he chose.

After a time Judson began to breathe hard, and his thrusts to fail in force.

"Now I would spit you," he said. "I have talked enough of you tribe. Put up your sword and call it quits."

Young Brandon replied: "Stand your ground, you coward. You will be a dead man in soon as you grow a little weaker. If you try to run I will thrust you through the neck as I would a cur. Listen how you snort! I shall soon have you. You are almost gone. You would spit me, would you? I could preach a sermon or dance a hornpipe while I am killing you. I will not break my sword against your coat of mail, but will wait until you fall from weakness, and then—Fight, you bloodhound!"

Judson was pale from exhaustion, and his breath was coming in gasps as he tried to keep the merciless sword from his throat. At last, by a dexterous twist of his blade, Brandon sent Judson's sword flying thirty feet away. The fellow started to run, but turned and fell upon his knees to beg for life. Brandon's reply was a flashing circle of steel, and his sword point cut lengthwise through Judson's eyes and the bridge of his nose, leaving him sightless and hideous for life—a revenge compared to which death would have been merciful.

The encounter created a sensation throughout the kingdom, for, although little was known as to who Judson was, his fame as a duelist was as broad as the land. He had been at court upon several occasions, and at one time upon the king's birthday had fought in the royal lists. So the matter came in for its share of consideration by king, and courtiers, and young Brandon became a person of interest. He became still more so when some gentlemen who had served with him on the continent visited the court, telling his fame, and added others, and related stories of deeds that were worthy of the best knight in Christendom.

He had an uncle at the court, Sir Thomas Brandon, the king's master of horse, who thought it a good opportunity to push his nephew forward, and, calling him to his office, with a view of winning royal favor. The uncle had the matter brought to the king, with favorable result, and Charles Brandon had, by the hand of fate, come to London court, when and where something came to him of such as fall to the lot of man.

CHAPTER II

HOW BRANDON CAME TO COURT

WHEN we learned that Brandon was coming to court, everyone believed he would soon gain the king's favor. How much that would amount to none could tell, as the king's favorites were of many sorts and taken from all conditions of men. There was Master Wolsey, a butcher's son, whom he had in that made almoner, then chief counselor and bishop of Lincoln, soon to be bishop of York and cardinal of the holy Roman church.

From the other extreme of life came young Thomas, Lord Howard, heir to the Earl of Surrey, and my Lord of Buckingham, premier peer of the realm. Then sometimes would the king take a yeoman of the guard and make him his companion in jousts and tournaments solely because of his brawn and bone. There were others whom he kept close by him in the palace because of their wit and the entertainment they furnished, of which class was I, and I flatter myself no mean member.

To begin with, being in no way dependent on the king for money, I never drew a farthing from the royal treasury. This you may be sure did me no harm, for, although the king sometimes delighted to give, he always hated to pay. There were other good reasons, too, why I should be a favorite with the king.

My appointment as master of the dance, I am sure, was owing entirely to my manner. My brother, the baron, who stood high with the king, was not friendly toward me because my father had seen fit to bequeath me so good a competency in place of giving it all to the firstborn and leaving me dependent upon the tender mercies of an elder brother, so I had no help from him nor from any one else. I was quite small of stature and therefore unable to compete with lance and mace with bulkier men, but I would bet with any man of my size on any game at any place and time in any amount, and, if I do say it, who perhaps should not, I basked in the light of many a fair smile which larger men had sighed for in vain.

I did not know when Brandon first came to London. We had all remained at Greenwich while the king went up to Westminster to waste his time with matters of state and quarrel with the parliament, then sitting over the amount of certain subsidies.

Mary, the king's sister, then some eighteen or nineteen years of age, a perfect bud just blossoming into a perfect flower, had gone over to Windsor on a visit to her elder sister, Margaret of Scotland, and the palace was dull enough. Brandon, it seems, had been presented to Henry during the time at Westminster and had to some extent at least become a favorite before I met him. The first time I saw him was at a joust given by the king at Westminster in celebration of the fact that he had coaxed a good round subsidy out of parliament.

The queen and her ladies had been invited over, and it was known that Mary would be down from Windsor and come home with the king and the court to Greenwich when we should return. So we all went over to Westminster the night before the jousts and were up bright and early next morning to see all that was to be seen.

[Here the editor sees fit to substitute a description of this tournament taken from the quaint old chronicler Hall.]

The morrow beyng after dynner, at tyme conuenient the Quene with her Ladyes repaired to see the Iustes, the trompettes blew vp, and in came many a noble man and Gentleman, rychely apparelled, takyng vp their horses, after whome folowed the lord Marques Dorset and their horses in cloth of Golde and russet and tynsell, knyghtes in cloth of Golde and russet Veluet. And a great nombre of Gentelmen on fote in russet satyn and yealowe, and yomen in russet Sarsenet and yealowe damaske, all the nether parte of euery man scarlet and yelowe hosen...

Then came the kyng, vnder a Pauilion of golde and purpull Veluet embroudered, the compas of the Pauilion aboute, and valence with a flat golde beaten in wyre, with an Imperiall croune in the top of fyne Golde. His bases and trapper of cloth of Golde fretted with Damaske Golde, the trapper pendant to the tail. A crane and chafron of steele, in the fronte of the chafron was a goodly plume set full of musers or trymbling spangels of golde. After folowed his three ayds euery of them vnder a Pauilion of Crymosyn Damaske & purple. The nomber of Gentlemen and yomen a fote apparelled in russet and yelow was clxviii. Then next these Pauilions came xii chyldren of honor, sitting euery one of them on a greate courser, rychely trapped and embroudered in seuerall deuises and facions, where lacked neither broudere nor goldsmythes work, so that euery chylde and horse in deuice and facion was contrary to the other, which was goodly to beholde.

Then on the counterparte entered a Straunger, fyrst on horsebacke in a long robe of Russet satyne, like a recluse or a religious, and his horse trapped in the same sewte, without dromme or noyse of mynstrelsye, puttinge a byll of peticion to the Quene, the effect whereof was, that if it would please her to licence hym to runne in her presence, he would do it gladly, and if not, then he would departe as he came. After his request was graunted, then he put off hys sayd habyte, and was armed at all peces with ryche bases & horse also rychely trapped, and so did runne his horse to the tylte ende, where diuers men on fote apparelled in Russet satyn awaited on him. Thereupon the Heraulds cryed an Oyez, and through the grounde spoke with the trompe of rushinge steele. Wonder it were to write of the ... Armes which that day toke place, wherefore many nightes haue... many tymes spoke of, the Straunger did... many tymes to beholde... and the kyng being ... the syght ... prices.

When the queen had given the stranger permission to run, and as he moved away, there was a great clapping of hands and waving of trophies among the ladies, for he was of such noble mien and bore himself so as to attract the gaze of every eye away from even the glittering person of his majesty the king.

His hair, worn in its natural length, fell in light wavy curls back from his forehead almost to the shoulder, a style just then new even in France. His eyes were a deep blue, and his complexion, though browned by exposure, held a tinge of beauty which the sun could not mar and a girl might envy. He wore neither mustache nor beard, as men now disfigure their faces—since Francis I took a scar on his chin—and his clear cut profile, dilating nostrils and mobile though firm set mouth gave pleasing assurance of tenderness, gentleness, daring and strength.

I was standing near the queen, who called to me: "Who is the handsome stranger that so gracefully asked our leave to run?"

"I cannot inform your majesty. I never saw him until now. He is the goodliest knight I have ever beheld."

"That he is," replied the queen, "and we should like very much to know him. Should we not, ladies?" There was a chorus of assent from a dozen voices, and I promised after the running to learn all about him and report.

It was at this point the heralds cried their "Oyez!" and our conversation was at an end for the time.

As to height the stranger was full six feet, with ample evidence of muscle, though no great bulk. He was grace itself, and the king afterward said he had never seen such strength of arm and skill in the use of the lance—a sure harbinger of favor, if not of fortune, for the possessor.

After the jousting the Princess Mary asked me if I could yet give her an account of the stranger, and as I could not she went to the king.

I heard her inquire:

"Who was your companion, brother?"

"That is a secret, sister. You will find out soon enough and will be falling in love with him, no doubt. I have always looked upon you as full of trouble for me in that respect. You will not so much as glance at any one I choose for you, but I suppose would be ready enough with your smiles for some one I should not want."

"Is the stranger one whom you would not want?" asked Mary, with a dimpling smile and a flash of her brown eyes.

"He most certainly is," returned the king.

"Then I will fall in love with him at once. In fact, I don't know but I have already."

"Oh, I have no doubt of that. If I wanted him he might be Apollo himself, and you would have none of him." King Henry had been compelled to refuse several very advantageous alliances because this fair, coaxing, self willed sister would not consent to be a part of the moving consideration.

"But can you not tell me who he is and what his degree?" went on Mary in a bantering tone.

"He has no degree. He is a plain untitled soldier, not even a knight—that is not an English knight. I think he has a German or Spanish order of some sort."

"Not a duke, not an earl, not even a baron or knight? Now he has become interesting."

"Yes, I suppose so. But don't bother me."

"Will he be at the dance and banquet tonight?"

"No. No. Now I must go. Don't bother me, I say!" And the king moved away.

Don't bother me, I say!

That night we had a grand banquet and dance at Westminster, and the next day we all, excepting Lady Mary, went back to Greenwich by boat, paying a farthing a head for our fare. This was just after the law fixing the boat fare, and the watermen were a quarrelsome lot, you may be sure. One farthing from Westminster to Greenwich! Eight miles. No wonder they were angry!

The next day I went back to London on an errand, and I went to Wolsey's house to borrow a book. While there Master Cavendish, Wolsey's secretary, presented me to the handsome stranger, and he proved to be no other than Charles Brandon, who had fought the terrible duel down in Suffolk. I could hardly believe that so mild a mannered and boyish a person could have taken the leading part in such a tragedy. But with all his seeming gentleness there was an underlying dash of cool daring which intimated plainly enough that he was not all mildness.

We became friends at once, drawn together by that subtle human quality which makes one nature fit into another resulting in friendship between men and love between men and women. We soon found that we had many tastes in common, chief among which was the strongest of all congenial bonds—the love of books. In fact, we had come to know each other through our common love of reading, for he also had gone to Master Cavendish, who had a fine library, to borrow some volumes to take with him down to Greenwich.

Brandon informed me he was going to Greenwich that day, so we determined to see a little of London, which was new to him, and then take boat in time to beat the tide before dark.

That evening, upon arriving at Greenwich, we hunted up Brandon's uncle, the master of horse, who invited his nephew to stay with him for the night. He refused, however, and accepted my invitation to take a bed in my room.

The next day Brandon was installed as one of the captains of the king's guard, and, as his uncle, but with no particular duties except such as should be assigned him from time to time. He was offered a good room on one of the lower floors, but asked instead to be lodged in the attic next to me. So we arranged that each had a room opening into a third that served us alike for drawing room and armory.

Here we sat and talked, and now and then one would read aloud some favorite passage while the other kept his own place with finger between the leaves. Here we discussed everything from court scandal to religion, and settled to our own satisfaction at least many a great problem with which the foolish world is still wrestling.

We told each other all our secrets too, for all the world like a pair of girls. Brandon told me of his hopes and aspirations, chief among which was his desire to earn and save enough money to pay the debt against his father's estate, which he had turned over to his younger brother and sisters. He, as the eldest, could have taken it all, for his father had died without a will, but he said there was not enough to divide, so he had given it to them and hoped to leave it clear of debt, then for new Spain, glory and fortune, conquest and yellow gold! He had read of the voyages of the great Columbus, the Cabots and a host of others, and the future was as rosy as a Cornish girl's cheek. Fortune held up her lips to him, but—there's often a sting in a kiss.

CHAPTER III

THE PRINCESS MARY

NOW at that time Mary, the king's sister, was just ripening into her greatest womanly perfection. Her skin was like velvet, a rich, clear, rosy snow, with the hot young blood glowing through it like the faint red tinge we sometimes see on the inner side of a white rose leaf. Her hair was a very light brown, almost golden, and fluffy, soft and fine as a skein of Arras silk. She was of medium height, with a figure that Venus might have envied. Her feet and hands were small and apparently made for the sole purpose of driving mankind distracted. In fact, that seemed to be the paramount object in her creation, for she had the world of men at her feet. Her greatest beauty was her glowing dark brown eyes, which shone with an ever changing luster from beneath the shade of the longest, blackest, upcurving lashes ever seen.

Her voice was soft and full and, except when angry, which—alas—was not infrequent, had a low and coaxing little note that made it irresistible. She was a most adroit coaxer and knew her power full well, although she did not always plead, having the Tudor temper and preferring to command—when she could. As before hinted, she had coaxed her royal brother out of several proposed marriages for her which would have been greatly to his advantage, and if you had only known Henry Tudor, with his vain, boisterous, stubborn violence, you could form some idea of Mary's powers by that achievement alone.

Such was the royal maid to whose tender mercies I now tell you frankly my friend Brandon was soon to be turned over. He, however, was a blade of very different temper from any she had known, and when I first saw signs of a growing intimacy between them I felt, from what little I had seen of Brandon, that the tables were very likely to be turned upon her ladyship. Then thought I, "God help her, for an intimacy between them charged with latent force, strong and hot and fiery as the sun's stored rays, it needed but a flash to make it patent when danger was sure to follow for somebody—probably Brandon."

Mary did not come home with us from Westminster the morning after the joustings, as we had expected, but followed some four or five days later, and Brandon had fairly settled himself at court before her arrival. As neither his duties nor mine were onerous, we had a great deal of time on our hands, which we employed walking and riding or sitting in our common room reading and talking. Of course, as with most young men, that very attractive branch of natural history, woman, was a favorite topic, and we accordingly discussed it a great deal—that is, to tell the exact truth, I did. Although Brandon had seen many an adventure during his life on the continent which would not do to write down here, he was as little of a boaster as any man I ever met, and while I am in the truth telling business I was as great a braggart of my inches as ever drew the longbow—in that line I mean. Gods! I flush up hot even now when I think of it! So I talked a great deal and found myself infinitely pleased with Brandon's conversational powers, which were rare, being no less than the capacity for saying nothing and listening politely to an infinite deal of the same thing in another form from me.

I remember that I told him I had known the Princess Mary from a time when she was twelve years old and how I had made a fool of myself about her. I fear I tried to convey the impression that it was her exalted rank only which made her look unfavorably upon my passion and suppressed the fact that she had laughed at me good humoredly and put me off as she would have thrust a poodle from her lap. The truth is she had always been kind and courteous to me and had admitted me to a degree of intimacy much greater than I deserved. This partly at least grew out of the fact that I helped her along the thorny path to knowledge, a road she traveled at an eager gallop, for she dearly loved to learn—from curiosity perhaps.

I am sure she held me in her light, gentle heart as a dear friend, but while her heart was filled with this mild warmth for me, mine began to burn with the flame that discolors everything, and I saw her transcendently in a very distorting light. She was much kinder to me than to most men, but I did not see that it was by reason of my absolute harmlessness, and, I suppose, because I was a vain fool I gradually began to get her hope—which goes with every vain man's love—and what is more actually climbed to the very apex of idiocy and declared myself. I well knew the infinite distance between us; but, like every other man who came within the circle of this charming loadstone, I lost my head and, in short, made a greater fool of myself than I naturally was, which is saying a good deal for that time in my life, God knows!

I knew vaguely, but did not fully realize how utterly beyond my reach in every way she was until I opened the floodgates of my passion, as I thought it, and saw her smile and try to check the coming laugh. Then came a look of offended dignity, followed by a quick softening glance.

"Leave me one friend, I pray you, Edwin. I value you too highly to lose and esteem you too much to torment. Do not make of yourself one of these fools who feel or pretend to feel. I care not which such preference for me. You cannot know in what contempt a woman holds a man who follows her though she despises him. No man can beg a woman's love; he must command it. Do not join their ranks, but let us be good friends. I will tell you the plain truth. It would be no different were we both of the same degree. Even then I could not feel toward you as you think you wish, but I can be your friend and will promise to be that always if you will promise never again to speak of this to me."

I promised solemnly and have always kept my word, as this true, gracious woman, so full of faults and beauties, virtues and failings, has ever since that day and moment kept hers. It seemed that my love, or what I supposed was love, left my heart at once, frozen in the cold glint of her eyes as she smiled upon my first avowal, somewhat as disease may leave the sickened body upon a great shock. And in its place came the restful flame of a friend's love, which so softly warms without burning. But the burning! There is nothing in life worth having compared with it for all its pains and agonies. Is there?

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Self Respect

Maintain your self respect as the most precious jewel of all and the only true way to win the respect of others, and then remember what Emerson says, for what he says here is true: "No young man can be cheated out of an honorable career in life unless he cheats himself."

THE CAKEWALK IN PARIS

All Classes of Society Captivated by the Craze.

NO LONGER A MARCH, BUT A DANCE

From the Circus It Is Pervading the Ballrooms of the Rich—How It Is Pronounced by Parisians—The Anglo-Saxon In a New Light—Inception of the Dance in Paris.

The American invasion continues After Standard Oil and Thomson-Houston electric tramways, after Morganization and the efforts of a Chicago gas company to obtain the contract for a municipal service, after the "Strenuous Life," with President Roosevelt as its prophet, the cakewalk has conquered Paris, writes the special correspondent of the New York Post. It is no longer a march or solemn promenade, with allusive racial color; it has become a dance, rapid, with sudden breaks and unexpected movements, exotic in time and tune and healthily epileptic. There was room for it.

Never has the disordered rhythm of exotic motion so triumphed among Parisians. From the beginning the cakewalk has not been limited, like its predecessors, to the promiscuousness of the dance halls. It has been taken up by the nobility and the plutocrats, and the bourgeois, half fearful of its correctness, have been obliged to follow the example. Mothers accept the inevitable and console themselves with the knowledge that these American inventions at least give their daughters physical exercise.

It was as early as October that I learned the coming of the cakewalk to Paris, where hitherto it had been completely unknown. My informant was a professor of dancing who upholds triumphantly the good name of Americans for an artistic as well as a light fantastic toe. He came to Paris years ago, after much minstrel wandering in America, to teach step dances at the opera, which required them for the ballet of the Korrigane. Thence he drifted to the English court for the children of the Prince of Wales, and then to Spain, where he taught the young king how to dance the "Boston." Back in Paris, he has been the chief promoter among his swell public of this giddy dance masquerading under the name of the city of severe culture, and he has just opened a superb dance palace, modern style, for his exclusive circles. "The Boston," he said to me "will be replaced the coming winter by the cakewalk."

"How in the world is it to be pronounced?" was the first and natural question "Kek Valk," was the answer, and so it is now everywhere known—"val" being sounded like the first syllable of "valley."

It would be a social study to know the secret of the unanimity of vogue in this instance. An American troupe—white and "creoles"—brought out the cakewalk at the circus, to the unmitigated delight of children and grown folks alike. Then a French adaptation of it—regularized with a little of the old high kicking and less of the grotesque element—appeared commonly in the music halls. Meanwhile dancing teachers everywhere were emulating with each other in the only real and genuine cakewalk dance, and no ball or party could be without it. Now, quite as if it had all been but a clever advertising preliminary, it appears in the theater in "Florodora," to which I hear it has been transplanted from some other English or American classic whose renown has not yet reached us—"The Honey and the Bee."

"Florodora" has quite upset all previous French ideas of Anglo-Saxon gravity. "The humor," says one severe critic, "is fantastic and incoherent. It consists in the characters interrupting the little they have to say with jigs and other much frenzied dancing. The music is that of dancing saloons." Emile Faguet, who is a sober academician, thinks, however, that it may run a hundred nights, probably because of the songs and dances. But all are dismayed that it should have taken possession of a theater properly so called. "Shall we then see Mounet Sully and Mme. Bartet leading in a cakewalk between the acts of Racine's tragedies?" croaks a prophet of woe in this sudden overthrow of the traditions.

Malicious critics of the government have applied the name of the cakewalk, with its sudden break in the middle, to the recent astounding declarations of the prime minister acknowledging the necessity of religious instruction, which was supposed to be contrary to all his previous policy After this it only remains for one of the bishops to apply the metaphor to the first of his colleagues that disagrees with him. Then the triumph of the American cakewalk will be complete, for it will have invaded all circles of French society from the frivolous to the grave. Meanwhile we have shown that we are not only able to capture the world's business; we can also amuse it.

Pingpong's Rival.

The popular game of pingpong has a rival in a novelty that is known as pouch ball. A bat and ball are used in playing this latest variation of table tennis, but instead of a net cornucopia shaped pouches are substituted in pouch ball. These pockets—half a dozen in number—are suspended from a rod, and the object in playing the game is to bat the ball served by one's opponent into one of these pouches.

Scheme to Abolish Tipping.

In Berlin an "antitip society" has been formed, and branches are to be started all over Germany. The object is to do away with "tipping."

DUN'S WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

Wholesale Houses Receiving Liberal Orders—Great Strength and Activity in Building Material.

New York, Feb. 21.—R. G. Dunn & Co.'s weekly review of trade, issued today, says in part:

Just as the railway congestion began to give way before the vigorous efforts of traffic managers, the situation became further complicated by the worst snow storm of the season, and the movement of merchandise was again interrupted. Latest figures of gross earnings show the usual gains February thus far surpassing by 17.6 per cent last year, when unusual delay was caused by severe storms, and 1901 by 17.6 per cent. Increased cost of operation, however, necessitated further advances in rates. Trade was interrupted to a considerable extent by the inclement weather, except in certain seasonable lines, notably heavy wearing apparel.

Wholesale houses dealing in staples have received liberal orders and much forward business has been placed. Jobbers urge quicker shipments on old orders, while travelers send in many new contracts. Manufacturers of paper, straw goods and clothing report conditions fully as satisfactory as a year ago, aside from some interruption by labor controversies.

Conditions in the silk industry are shown by enormous imports of raw material, and one large throwster has recently rejected orders sufficient to occupy his plant for two years.

Bids are invited for extensive building operations, giving strength and activity to materials and supplies

Although many new blast furnaces are nearing completion, and others will be finished within six months, the actual output of pig iron decreases because fuel cannot be secured. Last week's moderate improvement in the situation has been succeeded by a decided setback, many more furnaces being compelled to bank through lack of fuel. Reports of agreements to supply quantities of coke to favored plants are denied. There is little disposition to anticipate pig iron requirements far into the future however, as there is always the hope of a restoration of approximately normal conditions Steel billets are arriving from abroad and find a market at interior mills, but on domestic business for future delivery there is some discrepancy between bid and asking prices As the season advances there are more contracts available for the erection of buildings, bridges and railway extension, strengthening the market for structural material which is one of the firmest features. A heavy tonnage of plates, sheet and pipe has been sold at full figures, while more Canadian rail contracts have gone to European mills.

Failures this week numbered 217 in the United States against 250 a year ago, and 26 in Canada as compared with 31 last year.

LARGEST VESSEL IN THE WORLD

New White Star Line Steamer Cedric Makes Maiden Trip—Has Gross Tonnage of 21,034 Tons.

New York, Feb. 21.—The new White Star line steamer Cedric, the largest vessel in the world, arrived yesterday from Liverpool and Queenstown after her maiden trans-Atlantic voyage. The passage from Daunts Rock to this port was made in eight days, eight hours and 16 minutes She brought 712 passengers, of which number 440 were steerage The external dimensions of the Cedric are identical with those of her sister ship, the Celtic, of the same line, but by reason of structural differences to provide increased passenger accommodations, the gross tonnage of the former vessel has been slightly exceeded The Cedric is 700 feet in extreme length, 75 feet in breadth and 49 1-3 feet deep with a gross tonnage of 21,034 tons, dead weight about 18,000 tons and a displacement of 38,000 tons. The propelling machinery consists of two sets of quadruple expansion engines driving twin propellers. The vessel is designed to attain a speed of 17 knots at sea The Cedric has four masts and two funnels, the height of the latter being 131 feet above the keel and their dimensions are 14 feet, three inches by 11 feet. Accommodations for 350 first-class, 200 second-class and 2,500 steerage passengers are provided. The crew of the vessel consists of 336 men, 92 of whom are employed in the engine room

With the advent of the Cedric the White Star line possesses the world's two largest vessels. Harland & Wolff of Belfast, Ireland, are the Cedric's builders. She is commanded by Captain H. J. Haddock, royal naval reserve, who formerly was master of the company's steamer Germanic and whose sea career commenced in 1875.

On the passage from Queenstown the Cedric encountered severe northwest gales during the last four days, but as Captain Haddock remarked "It didn't bother us any for you would hardly know you were at sea when on this steamer"

Two New Theaters for Washington.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Plans have been prepared under the direction of a representative theatrical syndicate for two new theaters to be erected in Washington. The first structure is to be an office building and theater on the lines of the Colonial theater in Boston and is to cost $1,000,000 The second theater is to cost $100,000, and is to be used for play-house purposes solely

Bail Refused.

Columbus, S. C., Feb. 20.—Former Lieut. Governor Tillman was yesterday afternoon refused bail at the conclusion of his application for release on bond Mr. Tillman is held on the charge of murderig Editor Gonzales.

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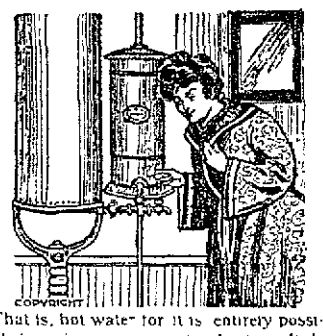

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BETWEEN TWO ACTS.

"Comparisons are instructive," said an old sage. Let us compare the fall and the spring seasons with two acts of a show, and we will find ourselves just now between the acts. The curtain is slowly dropping—we eagerly hear the applause of the public—and soon, very soon, the curtain will rise again. A new scene will begin with the same performers as before, it's true, but you will hardly recognize them. You will see the leading actress—Lady Fashion—in her new attire, and you'll admire her, we're sure.

Yet, I hear you ask critically, "What do you compare with the music they play between the acts?" Why, that's easy enough. Have you not the Bargain Sales? Don't we offer you the best goods at the lowest cut prices on every day between the two seasons? Money saving bargains BETWEEN THE ACTS—isn't that sweeter than music?

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